## STATE of WISCONSIN



## OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

WHEREAS; according to the Alpha-1 Foundation, Alpha-1 antitrypsin deficiency (Alpha-1) is a hereditary disorder that can result in life threatening lung disease in adults, as well as liver disease in both adults and children; and

WHEREAS; the Alpha-1 Foundation estimates that at least 100,000 people across the United States are affected by the disorder; and

WHEREAS; despite its prevalence, MedlinePlus, part of the National Library of Medicine, suggests that Alpha-1 often goes undiagnosed or misdiagnosed, and research estimates that the majority of those with the disorder are unaware of their condition; and

WHEREAS; early diagnosis is associated with better disease outcomes, and increased awareness of Alpha-1 is essential to its detection and treatment; and

WHEREAS; this month, the state of Wisconsin joins all affected individuals, their families, and advocates in spreading awareness of Alpha-1, both in the general public and in the medical community;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim November 2022 as

## **ALPHA-1 AWARENESS MONTH**

throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all our state's residents.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 28<sup>th</sup> day of October 2022.

GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE

Secretary of State